

**EXAMPLE**

02/14/01

**(DATE OF REQUEST)**

Chief, Fisheries Sampling Branch  
 National Marine Fisheries Service  
 Northeast Fisheries Science Center  
 166 Water Street  
 Woods Hole, MA 02543-1097

To Whom It May Concern:

I, JOHN SMITH, the OWNER AND CAPTAIN  
**(PRINT COMPLETE NAME)** **(OWNER AND/OR CAPTAIN)**

of the vessel, F/V JO JO, # 1234567,  
**(VESSEL NAME)** **(USCGDOC#)**

would like to request and authorize a release of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) observer data, collected and recorded aboard my vessel by a NMFS observer, to myself.

The information I request is from SINK GILLNET trip A02002L.  
**(FISHERY)** **(OBS/TRIP ID)**

This trip landed in Gloucester, MA on 02/14/01.  
**(PORT CITY, STATE)** **(DATE LANDED)**

I am making this request as the owner, or the authorized representative of the owner(s), of said vessel. I understand that I am responsible for these data upon release. I further understand that the data I receive may be preliminary, and not yet completely reviewed.

**ADDRESS TO WHICH REQUESTED  
 DATA SHOULD BE SENT  
 (IF NOT RECEIVED DIRECTLY):**

Sincerely,

PO Box 1234

Gloucester, MA 01930

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John Smith  
**(SIGNED NAME)**

John Smith  
**(PRINTED NAME)**

**OBSERVERS / DATA RELEASERS**

Please check that all of the above information is complete, and correctly and legibly recorded.

**Date requested data were copied and issued** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of data releasor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed name of data releasor** \_\_\_\_\_